

Delaware State Police Investigating Fatal Pedestrian Collision- Newark

Newark- Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal pedestrian collision that occurred late last night.

On January 24, 2021, at approximately 11:42 p.m., a Nissan Titan was traveling northbound Interstate 95 at S. Chapel Street. For unknown reasons the vehicle drifted off the roadway and into the left shoulder where the left rear side of the vehicle struck a guardrail. The collision caused the vehicle to rotate counterclockwise, until stopping facing southbound in the northbound lane. The operator, a 53-year-old male of Bear, exited his vehicle and attempted to cross all northbound lanes of I-95. At this time, a 2018 Hyundai Elantra was traveling northbound I-95 in the right lane. The front of the Elantra struck the pedestrian throwing him to the shoulder of the roadway.

The pedestrian was transported to Christiana Hospital where he was pronounced deceased. His identification is pending notification to next of kin.

The operator of the Elantra, a 44-year-old male of Princeton, NJ, was not injured.

Interstate 95 northbound was closed for approximately 3 hours while the investigation was completed, and the roadway was cleared.

This crash remains under investigation by the Troop-2 Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit. Anyone with information regarding the collision should contact Detective Forester by calling 302-365-8485.

Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1-800-842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

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